

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: D.B. Wecker et al. Attorney Docket No.: MSFT120537
Application No.: 10/607,797 Art Unit: 2174 / Confirmation No: 6502
Filed: June 27, 2003 Examiner: L.V. Nguyen
Title: MENUS WHOSE GEOMETRY IS BOUNDED
BY TWO RADII AND AN ARC

COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

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TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

REMARKS

On February 5, 2007, the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (the "Office") mailed a Notice of Allowance indicating that Claims 16-25 as amended by the Examiner's Amendments have been allowed. The Office provided reasons for allowance as well as a listing of references that were said to be considered pertinent to applicants' disclosure. The Office also reiterated a telephonic restriction requirement specifying Group I, which was said to cover Claims 1-10; Group II, which was said to cover Claims 11-15; and Group III, which was telephonically selected by applicants for examination and was said to cover Claims 16-25.

Applicants confirm the selection of Group III covering Claims 16-25 for examination. Applicants confirm the amendments made to clarify Claims 16 and 21 without admitting to propriety of the amendments made by the Examiner. Applicants appreciate the allowance of these claims and respectfully submit that the claimed invention is allowable for reasons in addition to the reasons indicated by the Examiner. Furthermore, applicants have reviewed the

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references cited by the Office and believe that the claimed invention distinguishes over the cited references.

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